

106 Rescue Wing Alumni Association

The first meeting of the organization took place on Wednesday, January 5th in the 106th RQW dining hall at 1700 hours. The meeting was presided over by Col Bobby Britain. He presented a brief background on the desire of many former members to establish and maintain an affiliation with the 106th Rescue Wing.

A discussion of the proposed by-laws was held with only minor changes being made. The initial as well as subsequent annual meeting date was changed to the second Tuesday of May each year with our first meeting to be held May 9, 2000 in the All Ranks Club.

The following individuals volunteered to be part of an interim Board of Directors (i.e. Startup Committee) in order to get the organization off the ground: Bob Grisnik, Jeff Snyder, Joe Ricker, Mike Bebon, Dan Weiss, Bill Schiffer and George Mann. Bob Grisnik and Jeff Snyder are acting co-chairmen of the startup committee Eugene Grassie is the point of contact at the Air Base. His duty number is 288-7562. He is compiling a list of active former members, employees and others showing an interest in the Association. He has also been collecting checks for dues.

Bob Grisnik indicated that he would contact the other members of the committee as to where and when the next planning meeting would take place.

The meeting was adjourned with some members going to the All Ranks Club for refreshments and renewal of past friendships.

Respectfully submitted,

George Mann

MINUTES 27 JANUARY 2000 , 106TH RESCUE WING ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEETING

MEETING OPENED AT 6:15 P.M. WITH BOB GRISNIK PRESIDING. MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT WERE BOB GRISNIK, JEFF SNYDER, BILL SCHIFFER, MIKE BEBON, RAY RATHMANN, AND JOE RICKER. ALSO IN ATTENDANCE WERE WING CDR. COL. BOBBY L. BRITTAN, LTC. TOM INGARGIOLA COMMAND CHIEF MSGT. EUGENE GRASSIE AND LTC. JAMES MCDUGAL, AS OBSERVERS.

THE MINUTES OF THE 5 JANUARY 2000 MEETING WERE READ AND ACCEPTED BY THE COMMITTEE. COL. BRITTAN SAID HE WAS PLEASED WITH THE EXCELLENT RESPONSE OF NEW MEMBERS AT OUR FIRST MEETING ON 5 JAN. HE SUGGESTED THAT ALUMNI MEMBERS KEEP IN CONTACT WITH THE WING AND BECOME INVOLVED IN UPCOMING BASE ACTIVITIES ON A PARTNERSHIP BASIS, THUS BENEFITTING EACH OTHER.

COL. BRITTAN SUGGESTED IN THE NEXT ALUMNI COLUMN OF THE BASE NEWSLETTER THAT WE HAVE A MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION ALONG THE LOWER PORTION OF THE PAGE THAT CAN BE SEPERATED AND RETURNED WITH A CHECK FOR DUES. BOB GRISNIK SUGGESTED IT SHOULD INCLUDE: NAME, MAILING ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, A CHECK-OFF BLOCK TO INDICATE WHETHER THE MEMBER WILL ATTEND THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN MAY AND ALSO A CHECK-OFF BLOCK WHETHER THE MEMBER WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE FIRST BOARD OF DIRECTORS. BOB GRISNIK READ A NUMBER OF LETTERS FROM FORMER MEMBERS WHO ALSO SENT IN THEIR DUES FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION. IT WAS AGREED BY THE COMMITTEE TO ACCEPT CURRENT MEMBERS, MILITARY AND CIVILIAN FROM THE WING, IN GOOD STANDING, TO ACCEPT THEM AS REGULAR MEMBERS WITH VOTING PRIVILEGES. AT THE SUGGESTION OF RAY RATHMANN IT WAS ALSO AGREED TO OPEN MEMBERSHIP TO FORMER MEMBERS OF ANY UNIT THAT EITHER SUPPORTED OR WAS SUPPORTED BY THE WING. THEIR DUES WOULD ALSO BE \$10.00. BILL SCHIFFER SUGGESTED HAVING A MEMBERSHIP CARD DESIGNED. THE COMMITTEE CHOSE THE FOLLOWING INTERIM OFFICERS: CHAIR BOB GRISNIK, VICE CHAIR JEFF SNYDER, SECRETARY GEORGE MANN, TREASURER RAY RATHMANN, AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS JOE RICKER. BOB GRISNIK SET THE NEXT COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MARCH 2ND AND MARCH 23RD AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE CDR'S OFFICE. A HEAD COUNT WILL BE TAKEN BEFORE THE MAY MEETING TO PLAN FOR FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS. THE MEETING ENDED AT 7:42 P.M.

March 2, 2000

106 Rescue Wing Alumni Association

The third meeting of the Alumni Association planning committee was called to order at 1800 hrs, March 2, 2000, in the 106 Rescue Wing Conference room by Bob Grisnik. The following persons were in attendance:

Bobby Britain, Eugene Grassie, Bob Grisnik, Tom Ingargiola, Raymond Lustig, Jim MacDougall, George Mann, Raymond Rathmann, Joe Ricker, Bill Schiffer, Jeff Snyder and Dan Weiss.

Bob Grisnik read the minutes of the last meeting held on January 27th which were accepted as read. A roster of 45 paid up members was distributed to the committee. Another 6 members were added to this list at this meeting. There is \$450 deposited in the association treasury at North Fork Bank. Bob stated that we were receiving free checks and a no-fee account

A copy of the recent 106 Rescue Wing Newsletter was given each member of the committee for review and constructive critique. A lengthy discussion ensued covering a number of concerns this committee needs to address. These included:

Membership eligibility
What to include in the column
October anniversary activities

St. Patrick's Day Parade participation
May 9th meeting activities
Base tour-where to meet, when to meet

It was agreed that an official logo or masthead was needed for the newsletter and other correspondence. George Mann agreed to design some samples to be presented at the next meeting. There was some discussion about using a variation of the "Monkey Patch".

A copy of a news release announcing the establishment of the alumni association was distributed to the committee. George Mann will contact Jim Finkle regarding its dissemination.

The question of motel room discounted rates for persons attending the May meeting was discussed. More to come on this subject.

Bob Grisnik suggested the committee examine the need for a tax id number and tax-exempt status for the association. A lengthy discussion followed. Ray Lustig agreed, along with others, to investigate these issues and report back at a later time. There was also discussion regarding umbrella liability insurance coverage as well.

It was agreed that there is much to in planning a successful first annual meeting. A number of concerns were aired including: name tags, meeting times and places, sign-in procedure, cash bar at the club, tee shirts and a fifty-fifty raffle to help underwrite some of the costs of refreshments. Jeff Snyder agreed to prepare a tentative agenda for the May 9th general meeting to be reviewed by the committee at its next meeting. Bobby Britain discussed the heritage project as well as the identification of the lineage of aircraft and commanders over the history of the unit. Members have been called upon to help identify archived photos.

Next meeting will be held March 23rd in the conference room at 6:00 P.M. Meeting adjourned at 2000 hrs.

Respectfully submitted.
George Mann

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Bob Grisnik opened the March 23rd meeting at 1820 hours in the Wing Conference Room with the following members in attendance: George Mann, Jeff Snyder, Bill Schiffer, Joe Ricker, Ray Rathmann, Tom Ingargiola, Eugene Grassie, Bobby Britain and Jim MacDougall. Mike Bebon and Dan Weiss were absent.

- The group reviewed the April newsletter Alumni Article.
- 68 paid members as of this date. New names were read along with their accompanying correspondence.
- Jeff Snyder presented May Meeting agenda proposal with the committee making several constructive changes.
- Bill Schiffer and Joe Ricker volunteered to be greeters at the sign in table. A ballot will be prepared with those persons running for the board of directors written in random order. Spaces will be provided to accommodate those persons nominated from the floor. Eugene Grassie, Tom Ingargiola and Ray Lustig will be in charge of counting the ballots.
- The following persons have announced that they will run for the board:

George Mann	Jeff Snyder	Bob Grisnik
Bill Schiffer	Ray Rathmann	Joe Ricker
- Letter asking "Who's coming" will provide a deadline of 4-13-00
- May 9th meeting for members only, a mostly business and organizational agenda. Spouses who do accompany their wives or husbands are welcome to attend however.
- Ray Lustig discussed the liability insurance issue and the possibility of the association being covered under an umbrella that would include other organizations such as the Family Support Group. He will meet with the JAG and report more on this topic at a subsequent meeting. Establishing a tax ID number will be held in abeyance until the insurance coverage issue is resolved.
- George Mann read the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved as read. He also reported that a news release had not been released previously. The news release, which had been prepared by Joe Ricker, was then read to the members. Bobby Brittain assured everyone that it would be authorized and released for publication.
- Next meeting will be held on April 13th at which plans for the May general meeting will be finalized.
- Treasurer's report showed a balance in our account of \$680
- The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

George Mann

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Bob Grisnik opened the meeting at 1820 hours in the Wing conference room.

The following members were in attendance:

Bob Grisnik, Bill Schiffer, George Mann, Tom Ingargiola, Warren Ferdinandsen, Bobby Brittain, Eugene Grassie, Ray Rathmann, Joe Ricker, Ray Lustig and Jim MacDougall. Absent were Mike Bebon, Jeff Snyder and Danny Weiss.

Announcements: Art auction to be held August 12th with wine cheese. Sunday paper of April 30 will show the meeting of the Alumni Association. Press release went out regarding the formation of the association

Treasurer's Report: Balance of \$680 on deposit.

Bob read the correspondence from the newly received member applications. There are an additional 20 members as of this meeting. The total paid membership as of this date is 88.

Old Business: Proceeding to obtain Tax ID #

Insurance coverage is still under investigation-open item. There is to be a follow-up with the state to see if fall under the charitable, not-for-profit corporation
Discussion of May 9th agenda- George Mann will prepare a final draft for May 4th
Name tags will be created for those attending with extra blanks for walk-ins.
Reviewed Draft #3 of Charter. The Charter will be presented to the membership on May 9th for ratification. There will be a financial review by the treasurer, Ray Rathmann.
Those running for the board will be introduced followed by nominations from the floor and voting. Meeting will continue while votes are counted. Bobby Brittain will swear in the newly elected board. A count of how many are coming will be given to Eugene Grassie 1 week prior to meeting so the food can be ordered. It was estimated to cost \$5.00 per person for the dinner. This will be funded by a fifty-fifty raffle and money from the treasury. A sign-in and address correction sheet will be provided at the sign-in table for those attending the meeting.

New Business: Eugene Grassie presented some information on AF Instruction 3106- Retirees Activities Program. A follow-up as to applicability will be made. It was decided that membership cards for the Association could be the responsibility of the new board. Joe Ricker will prepare an article for the June newsletter following the May 9th meeting. Bobby Brittain stated that Jack Brehm would probably be available to sign his book at the meeting. There could be a special showing of The Perfect Storm film in June. Discussions are underway with Warner Brothers regarding this. Proceeds would go to a fund for Rick Smith's children. There are also discussions underway regarding the creation of a commemorative plaque to honor Rick's memory as well.

Next meeting is to be held may 4th . The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

George Mann

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Attendance: The following committee members were present: Bob Grisnik, Bill Schiffer, George Mann, Bobby Brittain, Eugene Grassie, Ray Rathmann, Joe Ricker, and Jim MacDougall. Absent were Mike Bebon, Ray Lustig, Danny Weiss

Announcements: The base pistol team won 1st place in the competition at Ft Drum. There are some upcoming organizational changes taking place: An ATC Squadron and an upgrade of Security Police to a Squadron. There are six new chiefs and three new senior master sergeants. Bobby Brittain will be awarded the I.G. Brown Command Excellence Award.

Treasurer's Report: Ray Rathmann reported that we had a previous balance of \$890 in our checking account. Receipts as of this meeting totaled \$70 to bring the new balance to \$960.

Correspondence: Bob Grisnik read the names of the newest member applications.

Old Business: We now have a tax ID from the IRS. Original copies of form are filed with the Alumni Secretary and Wing Executive Officer. Additional IRS forms were filed for possible later use. Jeff Snyder presented the May 9th agenda which was reviewed and approved. The newly elected board members will decide those who will serve the 1,2 or 3 year term at a later meeting. Open discussion and questions from the members regarding the role and direction of the organization will be encouraged. The cash bar will close during the election of board members. The buffet for the meeting was discussed. Eugene Grassie will take care of providing the food. Bill Schiffer mentioned that he had gone through the photos of people and aircraft and identified as many as possible. Name tags will be provided for those attending the meeting.

New Business: None.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

George Mann

106th RQW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
9May2000 1800 Hours
AGENDA

Optional Base Tour--1500 Hours

- Welcome and sign -in table, Logo items purchase opportunity
- Introduction Col Brittain ---Jeff Snyder
- Presentation of the Colors and Pledge ---Col. Brittain
- Evolution of the 106thRQW. Why create an Alumni Assoc?--Col Brittain
- Review of where we are in establishing the Assoc.,Meet the committee-- Jeff Snyder
- Review of the Charter---George Mahn
- Financial Review---Ray Rathman
- Introduction of candidates, Nominations from the floor--Jeff Snyder
- Board Elections
- Open Discussion
- Election Results
- Introduction and Swearing of the Board--Col Brittain
- Closing Comments

May 9, 2000

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The first annual meeting of the Association took place in the All Ranks Club, Tuesday, May 9th, 2000 at 1800 hours. Bobby Brittain was introduced by Jeff Snyder who welcomed everyone and gave a brief history of the creation of the association. This was followed by the presentation of the Colors.

Jeff Snyder gave a brief outline of the association's previous 5 month planning activity. The charter was presented by George Mann and adopted by the members present. Ray Rathman presented the treasurer's report: As of this meeting there are 106 paid members of the association and a balance of \$1070.

Jeff named those running for the board and entertained nominations from the floor. Chuck Darcy's name was placed on the ballot. Members then voted for the permanent Board of Directors. There was a break in business while the votes were counted. The following persons were elected to serve on the Board: Pat Rizzo, Bill Schiffer, Jeff Snyder, George Mann, Bob Grisnik, Joe Ricker, Ray Rathmann, Steve Walcez and Chuck Darcy. Bobby Brittain swore in the new board.

Open discussion followed regarding activities and ideas for activities by the association. The following items were mentioned:

- Assist or participate in ANG Bowling tournament
- Attend Army-Air Force game at West Point
- Annual picnic
- Annual dance
- Cruise
- Sponsor a scholarship fund
- Create a web site
- Assist employer support day in July
- Create a local chapter of the Association
- Improve BX and get a gas station
- Assist in managing and resolving issues of the Wing, such as Airmen of the Quarter, Hail and Farewell parties, etc.

The meeting was adjourned. The newly elected board members decided the next meeting of the Board would take place Wednesday, May 31 in the Wing Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted

George Mann

106 Rescue Wing Alumni Association

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 1800 hours in the Wing Conference Room . The Minutes of May 9th were read and accepted.

The following positions and term limits were established for the newly elected Board. They are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Term</u>
Jeff Snyder	Chairman	3 years
Chuck Darcy	Vice Chairman	3 years
George Mann	Secretary	2 years
Ray Rathman	Treasurer	3 years
Steve Walcez	Director	2 years
Joe Ricker	Director	2 years
Bill Schiffer	Director	1 year
Pat Rizzo	Director	1 year
Bob Grisnik	Director	1 year

Also present at the meeting were Gene Grassie and Bobby Brittain.

Gene Grassie agreed to contact Ed King and Pat Rizzo regarding Director positions. Those present suggested that Gene fill the position if either of the two were unable to do so.

The Board discussed the need to have other members get back with their ideas and willingness to serve in various capacities or activities with the Association. Various possible activities were discussed by the Board including the following:

- Employees Day in July- members could act as escorts and guides
- October Anniversary Extravaganza- take part in the various activities and competitions. There could also be an Alum table set up where persons could join the association.
- Social activities-near term and long term including informal get-togethers at the club, dances etc.
- Creating an Association pin the sale of which could be a fundraiser. Ray Rathmann agreed to look into the several possibilities available and report back at next meeting.
- It was suggested that a welfare as well as a social committee be standing committees
- There is still the ongoing situation with liability protection and incorporation.
- Golf outing to be held September 18th
- Association Happy Hour to be held September 22nd to include spouses. Cash bar, food will be provided.

Financial Report: Current balance \$905.93

A membership card will be produced for members with a September distribution date planned. It was further agreed that the 106 active, paid members as of May 9th will be considered "Charter Members."

The next meeting will be held June 29th at 1800 in the Wing Conference Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 1945 hours.

Respectfully submitted
George Mann, Secretary

7/31/00

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The June 29, 2000 meeting of the board was called to order at 1800 hours in the Wing conference room. The following members were present:

George Mann
Stephen Walcez
Jeff Snyder

Eugene Grassie
Ray Rathmann
Tom Ingargiola

Bobby Brittain
Joe Ricker

Bob Grisnik
Bill Schiffer

Guests present were Karen Brittain and Debbie Kruk from the Family Readiness Group who presented the board with information relating to the upcoming Art Auction, August 12th. This is their big fundraiser for the organization and it was the goal to have 125 persons attend the event. Tickets are \$13 each or \$20 per couple with all proceeds going to the Readiness Group.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Old Business: Two phone calls were received from Harold Natt and Tom Martin to assist at the October event. 78 ID cards have been produced to date. Pat Rizzo says he would like to remain on the board and will be coming up here in September. This item will remain open. Ray Rathman reported on the pins. The board discussed a number of designs and prices. Basically, a \$3.00 pin will sell for \$5 yielding a \$2 profit on each sale. The board decided to limit the initial expenditure to \$500 for the pins. The wording will show "106 Rescue Wing Alumni Association". Insurance issue is still being explored. Col Brittain will follow up with the JAG. Ray Rathman reported a problem with the encoding on the checks provided by North Fork Bank. He will check into a new printing of checks.

New Business: Jeff Snyder spoke of beer and beverage trucks at social events. Alcoholic beverages must be handled through the club. Profit share 50-50 (association and club) was discussed as a possibility. Bob Grisnik discussed the possibility of soda and water wagons available at events. Water is a money maker. The feasibility of using Aviation Museums such as Mitchell Field, The Intrepid and/or Cradle of Aviation for social events was discussed. Some questioned the distance involved in travel to these places. It was decided that we would have to see the participation rate in September before committing to a larger affair in a more distant location. Volunteers are needed for October. Chief Stehl is the coordinator for October. Gene Grassie will be the Alumni Association coordinator.

Treasurer's Report: \$853.63 is current balance.

Four new members have joined: Nathan Triolo, Bernie Palmeri, Tom Quinn and Oscar Mirjah.

Members of the 106th will be viewing the opening of The Perfect Storm at the Brookhaven Multiplex and the retirement party of Chuck Stueve and Paul McReady will take place July 9th.

Next board meeting will be held August 23rd at 1800 hrs. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

George Mann

106 Rescue Wing Alumni Association

Schedule of Events

- 30 June Perfect Storm
- 8,9 July UTA
- 12 July FRA Mtg
- 5,6 Aug UTA
- 12 Aug Art Auction
- 12,13 Aug Flea Mkt
- 9,10 Sep UTA
- 18 Sep Golf Tourney
- 22 Sep Alumni Assoc Mtg
- 14,15 Oct UTA
- 28,29 Oct UTA (Anniversary)
- 2,3 Dec Christmaas Party



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The August 23rd meeting came to order at 1800 hours with the following in attendance:

Bill Schiffer	Eugene Grassie	Bobby Brittain	Tom Ingaragiola
Stephen Walcez	Charles Darcey	Jeff Snyder	Ray Rathmann
Kenneth Harris	Louis Morales	George Mann	

Absentees: Bob Grisnik, Pat Rizzo and Joe Ricker

Due to the limited time for the meeting the minutes of the previous meeting were not read or approved.

Old Business:

Ray Rathmann reported on the progress of the lapel pins. The board approved an initial order of 500 pins at a cost of \$595. Distribution of pins to members will be decided at a later date.

Eugene Grassie reported that the original 106 charter member ID cards were completed and ready for distribution. Method of same will be decided at a later date.

Insurance coverage is still being analyzed and under study for an umbrella policy. Until a policy is in place the association will confine its activities to the base.

A beverage truck for Family Day in October was discussed. The All Ranks Club and the Association will work out a mutual agreement on the use and proceeds of the truck. Water and soda will be available for the event with beer offered at 1600 hours or when authorized. Social events that might be held at The Cradle of Aviation are being put off until later next year. A December social affair was discussed to perhaps include a wine and cheese party or similar event.

New Business:

Korean War Veteran Recognition Day in New York is to be September 8th.

George Mann will look into the cost of printing and mailing post card style meeting and event announcements to the members. He will meet with Jeff Snyder to discuss the efficacy and content of the cards.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the September 22 social for alums to volunteer for the October Family Day activities.

Eleven(11) new members have joined to bring the number in the organization to 131.

Treasurer's Report: \$298.63 + \$110 = \$408.63

Next meeting will be at 1700 hours prior to social on the 22nd of September

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted

George Mann, Secretary

September 22, 2000

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106 Rescue Wing Alumni Association

Jeff Snyder called the Meeting to order at 1700 hours. The following persons were present:

Jeff Snyder	George Mann	Charles Darcy	Steve Walcez	Bill Schiffer
Eugene Grassie	Joe Ricker	Ray Rathmann		

Also present was Paul Connor, 106 RQW historian Absent: Bob Grisnik, Bobby Brittain and Pat Rizzo

As of today there are 134 paid members including two new members, Tony Cristiano and Jerry Stehl.

OLD BUSINESS: The insurance coverage issue is to be dealt with by including the Association under the umbrella of The Rescue Wing Charitable Organization charter, which will be rewritten to include it. Ray Lustig is working with the Wing JAG. Jeff thanked George Mann for getting out the membership notification cards. The Alumni pins are here and ready for distribution at today's social at the club. The board expressed its appreciation for the great job that Ray Rathmann had done in handling the entire pin project. The wine and cheese party is tentatively planned for December 8th at the club. This date will be confirmed and members will receive notification of same. The card will include an RSVP phone number to give us an idea of how many will attend. Details of the beverage truck for the October 28th event will be worked out with the club officer. The board authorized the treasurer to give George Mann \$100 to cover mailing and other administrative costs for the association.

NEW BUSINESS: Several Board members were given 25 pins to sell at \$3.00 each. Wine and Cheese party should begin at 7 PM on the 8th of December. Members will be asked to make a donation of \$5.00 per person attending the affair. We also need to find out who will be involved in the Oct 28th anniversary event. We need to establish how we will sell pins that day. We also have to determine how pins will be mailed to those persons not in the area. Perhaps they will be mailed with their membership card and dues notice for 2001.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted.

George M.Mann
Secretary

106 Rescue Wing Alumni Association

Chuck Darcy, Vice President, called the 106 RQW Board of Directors meeting to order at 1800 hours on October 18, 2000.

The following were in attendance: Joe Ricker Bill Schiffer Chuck Darcy Steve Walcez
Ray Rathmann George Mann Gene Grassie Bobby Brittain Tom Ingaragiola
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Absent were: Jeff Snyder, Pat Rizzo, Bob Grisnik

Minutes of the September 22 meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Ray Rathmann reported an expenditure of \$90 for the food at the outing on September 22nd and a current balance of \$388.63. North Fork Bank is currently correcting and printing new blank checks, which will be ready for our use soon.

Old Business: The December 8th Wine and Cheese party will have to be postponed due to a conflict with the Wing formal that same evening. The board agreed to reschedule the party for December 29th at 7 PM pending availability of club. It was decided that a renewal of membership form will appear in the monthly Team Rescue to allow members to pay \$10 dues and order their pin for an additional \$4.00. The extra \$1 will cover the cost of mailing it. George Mann will check the cost of purchasing the small padded mailing envelopes. Any person initially joining the association after July 1st of the year will have their dues cover through the end of the next full year. From then on dues cover one year, January through December of each successive year. The following names were obtained volunteering for committee participation as follows: John Munnely and Van Papageorge for Good and Welfare, Gerry Olender for Entertainment and Davis McAndrew for Family day. The Association will try to set up a booth near the fire station on the 28th along with the Support Group. The board decided to reserve 150 pins for members of the association before selling them to the public.

New Business: Next board meeting will be held at 1800 hours, Wednesday November 29th in the Wing conference room. Ray Rathmann brought up the subject of whether or not the association should provide members separating from the unit with some sort of certificate. After much discussion it was decided that a letter of recognition and invitation to join the association could be provided in the member's out-processing package. Joe Ricker agreed to prepare a draft of a letter to be included in the Wing package.

The meeting was adjourned at 1907 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

George M. Mann
Secretary

106 Rescue Wing Alumni Association

The November 29th, 2000 Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Jeff Snyder at 1805 hours.

The following persons were present:

George Mann	Jeff Snyder	Tom Ingargiola	Bill Schiffer
Ray Rathmann	Bobby Brittain	Eugene Grassie	Jim MacDougald
Joe Ricker			

The following persons were absent:

Bob Grisnik	Chuck Darcy	Pat Rizzo	Steve Walcez
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Old Business: There has been a total of \$183 collected so far for pins. Insurance coverage for the organization is proceeding well. We will be covered under the Articles of Incorporation of the 106th Rescue Wing (RQW) Charitable Association Inc. The board approved the cost of a flower arrangement for the wake of Tony Cristiano. The cost was \$62.92. Approximately 20 persons have committed to attending the Wine and Cheese Party to be held December 29th at the club. A deadline of 18 December was established to RSVP.

New Business: The board discussed a way to receive mail. It was agreed that would have correspondence be addressed to the Association in care of Bill Schiffer at P.O. Box 600, Miller Place, NY 11764. This information will be posted in the next few issues of the Base newsletter. With respect to dues, there will be a \$10 annual fee plus \$4.00 to cover the Alumni lapel pin and its cost of mailing. The board discussed getting more membes involved in committee chair posts. Tom Martin, Sandy and Rocky Olivetto and others were mentioned as potential committee chairpersons. The board agreed to invite those indicating a willingness to serve to a meeting at which time they could decide which committee was appropriate for them. Committees might also be formed project by project instead of standing. The board also discussed the possible design and procurement of a jacket with pertinent patches for the association. Bobby Brittain advised the board that it takes approximately \$13,000 - \$13,500 per year to run the Galaxy Program in which Tony Cristiano had played such a large part. Since it is now going to be called The Tony Cristiano Memorial Galaxy Fund, contributions are most welcome and certainly in order. The board authorized an initial donation of \$100 to this fund with possible additional contributions later. The board voted to have Gene Grassie finish out the remaining term of Pat Rizzo due to his unavailability and lack of participation.

Treasurer's report: Ray Rathmann reported a balance of \$616.71 in the bank. This did not reflect the \$100 check going to the Galaxy Fund.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 10th, 2001 at 1800 hours.

The meeting was adjourned at 1920 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

George Mann, Secretary